

The Lonely Vampire Prince

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Summary: (AU in a same world but without the apocalypse and war between human and vampire) Hyakuya family invited by the royal family of Tepes. What happened when Hyakuya Yuichiro, the heir of Hyakuya family, meet Asura Tepes, the vampire prince? Sure nothing would go wrong, right?

1. Chapter 1

Hey there, another Asurayuu stuff from me! This time it's not a short one shot, but a series. Hope you guys like it! :3

AU setting: Still in the same world but without the apocalypse. Vampire and Japanese Imperial Demon Army still existed, but instead going on war, they had their own territory since the world goes normally.

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"Hey Yuu-chan, quickly dress up already!" Mika whine at his roommate that still fixing his persistent, sticking-up bed hair.

"Aghh this thing won't go down!" He finally gave up and start fixing his tuxedo again. It took more time with him doing the hair than actually doing the clothing. He thought he want to made his hair neat and tidy, but it's not working at all.

"Don't worry, Yuu-chan! You looks good like that. I bet some ladies going to hit you later!" Mika softly tap his elbow to the black haired boy, that instead gave him a sarcastic look. "Ladies? Who? Shinoa?"

Mika almost burst in laughter. He always been the merry one on the group, and the most friendly one. Yuu on the other side is always bitter and cold, but he actually value his family, though he didn't want to admit it.

"Hei, you brat! Done already?" Someone barge in with a casual, careless smile in his face. The man had a regular built and his clothing resemble more of a military uniform than an actual formal attire.

"Guren-san, we're done in just a minute." Mika throw a friendly smile to the older man, and Yuu also nod with his usual plain face.

"Good, because I don't wanna put my excuse to the nobles just because you brat drag me down. Now let's go." Guren close the door, leaving the two again.

Yuichiro still didn't believe that they're invited to Sanguinem for an anniversary party of the vampire family. Ever since hundred years ago, the Tepes family have been in bad term with the Japanese Imperial Demon Army. The vampire, with their own law, gave shelter, home and job for the poor, in exchange for their blood. The JIDA on the other way dislike their way, and with the new regulation, is now trying to talk with the high ranking progenitor of Tepes family, so they could work on it together.

In all honesty. not even Mika and Guren like the sound of this, since vampires known to look down on humanity. They live secluded from the world, but they exist and control the world from the shadow. JIDA, especially from Hiragi family, however decide to work together to them since they had great ambition to dominate the world. Guren Ichinose actually don't like the plan, but a lieutenant colonel couldn't do anything to oppose the all-powerful words of Hiragi.

So then, the whole member of Moon Demon Company going with Guren to Sanguinem. For this "mission" to subdue the vampire nobles, Guren team is the main diplomatic force, while Shinoa Squad is the main team socializing force. Silly for an army to do this, but this is what their superior ordered. On the whole group, only Shinya Hiragi had this excited bright smile painted on his face all day long.

"Ehh, Yuu-kun... What should we do when we talk to the nobles?" Yoichi asked his friend, and even the pink-haired man behind him seems to be worried. Only Yuu and Mika once live in Sanguinem until someone named Ferid let them go.

"Ahhh I guess you just talk normally. Nothing big even though they're a noble. Most of them is carefree and don't consider human as something valuable, so just do a poker face and don't piss them off." Yuu answered to the answer, and Mika nod. "The nobles is unlike most vampire that we ever meet. Though they see human like a livestock just like the rest, they're more friendly and casual sometimes. Well, depend on the person, really."

"Yep! Just put a wide smile and it's all gonna be alright~" Shinya replied with his usual playful tone, while Guren not even going to give a care. Goddamn Hiragi, what they think to ordered him to do this? At least he go with Shinya, so he's not going to be bored.

Shinya is his best buddy, said Guren, though everyone know that their relationship is deeper than that.

"My, my! Then our Yuu-san going to get lots of problem with his stern face!" Shinoa slowly giggling, made fun of his friends as always. "Shinoa! You're mostly the one who would get us trouble with your attitude!" Yuu spat back.

The atmosphere are warm until they entered a big caverns, and the gate to Sanguinem is now present. Guren pass the official invitation to the guard, and even the vampire then bow down to them. Seems reading "Krul Tepes" on the paper drastically changed their view on the human visitor.

"So, this is Sanguinem? Cozy place, I must said." Kimizuki look around, and then Mitsuba poke him on the arm. "Stay on guard. Some report said that there some low-life scum vampire life on the alley, and they feast on human. Though the official rules prevent is, not even vampire follow the rules either. Just like human." The group nod on her note and continue walking down a long bridge until they arrived at the royal palace.

There are so many individual on the place, even on the outside. They all wore a mask, so it's not clearly visible whose the vampire and whose human. That's exactly what the party is; masquerade ball. Each participant of the party need to wear mask for each own, and everyone already had one prepared.

"Okay kids, get your mask on." Guren put a simple porcelain mask on his face while Shinya prefer a beautiful, golden butterfly half-faced mask. Yoichi and Kimizuki both wear simple smiling mask adorned with feathers, Shinoa is using a rather standing-out Pierrot mask, Mitsuba use a monochrome half-faced mask, while Mika wore a white angel mask, and Yuu use a plain black half-faced mask.

Once they get inside, the atmosphere get warm and lively. Nobody know who the vampire and who the human. Everyone mingle and mixed, and for just a day, they take aside their identity and use the mask to cover their true face.

"Yo, Guren!" Goshi greet the team as the whole team is ready, and just waiting at the lieutenant colonel. "Alright, we go by our own to talk with the Tepes family. You kids go have fun by your own." Guren casually wave away, and Shinya followed him right on behind.

Shinoa take a deep breath and try to hide her nervousness. "Well, now we're up to our own. Please enjoy your time socializing, then we'll wait for Guren to call us back. It's probably midnight when they're done, so we had more than six hour to spend freely." She sums their plan as she tune her pocket watch. Everyone nod and tune their watch as well before each go to their own direction, socializing with the unknown.

Yuu is the only one who can't do his job. He think, what he should do anyway? Oh well, at least the food is nice. He just grab few sweet snack and search a place to eat alone. Every seat is occupied, and the hallway is crowded. In attempt to search for a space, he found a stairway to the roof, and as he expected, no one was there.

Well, no one but one.

That night, that time, is the fated day when the two meet.

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Thanks for reading! ^-^

Originally, this and the next chapter is one. But it got into 4K words, so I separate it into two part. 2/3 of the chapter separated into the second chapter, so the next one will be longer. I think it's alright though, as long I didn't put something too long for the prologue.

2. Chapter 2

In order to search for a place away from the crowd, Yuu go to the roof. Without he realize, he's not alone there.

When he get there, the horizon is mesmerizing beautiful. It's underground, but the light decoration around looks like a star. He never remembered Sanguinem to be this beautiful. While he enjoyed his time eating, he realize that in the other side of the roof, there is someone there. Maybe he search for a peace, away from the crowd, just like him?

Yuu turn his head and realize that the person had an abnormally long hair, even for a girl. The hair flowing like a cloud, wavy and ethereal. The small, sleek figure with a white dress and dark purple hair just looks so entrancing, Yuu quickly forgot about his food.

Trying to talk, he slowly creep closer to the person and awkwardly stand there, just admiring the beauty of this stranger.

"Beautiful, isn't it?" He suddenly speak, and from just the light voice, it's hard to determine the gender of the person. "Ahh... errr... Yes?" Yuichiro stutter, surprised, and slightly blushing when he see the face of the stranger. He take out his mask and reveal his glowing red eye and fang. A vampire, and a rather cute one, he should said. He's not surprised to see a vampire with such beauty, since they're never age, but this one is beyond even their standard.

"Oh, I mean, the scenery. Not me." He chuckle softly. Even his gentle voice is entrancing. Yuu can't help but flustered when he take his word in a wrong way. Oh wait, it's a he? At this rate, he doesn't know and he's too afraid to ask. It might offended him.

"Ahh... Anyway, why you're here? The party is down there." He asked Yuu now, and the still-entranced Yuu finally goes back to reality. "Oh, I just don't like to be in the crowd. It's too full down there, and I need a little bit of space." He brushed his hair as he speak.

"Well, that's how a party should be. I can see that you're not here by your own, since it's probably not your will to attend the party."

The vampire chuckle again, and Yuu only can nod. "Yeah, stupid Guren drag me here- I mean, my stupid parent-in-law did." He spontaneously mentioned Guren, and fix it quickly. However, the vampire seems recalled the name.

"Wait, Guren? You mean Guren Ichinose from the Moon Demon Company?" The vampire recognize the name, up to their surprise. Yuu quickly nod, though he didn't expect such development. "You're his friend?" He asked now, and the vampire shook his head.

"I just heard it from sis that she invited the Moon Demon Company from the Japanese Imperial Demon Army for a talk. Didn't expect you're one of them." He take his time observing the taller boy. Sure he didn't looks like one of them, and he won't expect him to be one.

"Wait... Invited by your sis? You mean you're from the Tepes family?" Yuu's eyes widened, not expecting to be talking with the family of a high-ranked progenitor.

"Oh, so rude of me not to introduce myself. I am Asura Tepes, and just happened to be here because my sis drag me to here with this white frilly dress, and I don't like it. How about you?" Asura introduce himself with a playful tone. Now Yuu know that he's talking to a boy, and honestly, not like it disappoint him to learn the truth of his identity. In fact, he's honored because he never meet a vampire this polite before.

Yuu take off his mask and reply the introduction. "I'm Hyakuya Yuichiro, two of the last heir of Hyakuya family, a part of Moon Demon Army, and happened to be unfortunate enough to be dragged back to Sanguinem after we manage to go away long time ago." He smiled slightly, and realizing that Asura is staring right at his eye,

"Ehh that sound tough. So you used to live in here?" Asura asked, his eye still fixed on the human. "Yeah, until someone named Ferid or something gave us the free ticket to go. He's annoying and weird, I might even said he's a pervert, but in the end, he let us go. Seems he think it's all just a game, and he don't know that our life is so hard."

Hearing that, Asura burst into a small, childish laugh. "You know Ferid Bathory? That sassy troll? Oh god, this is hilarious. That sound like what he would do." Yuu then nod, seems finally loosened from the stiffness after hearing his laugh. "It does, because he think we're his personal toys or something!" Yuu replied rather loudly, seems pleased to finally find someone who despise Ferid. Mika don't had the guts to even do it.

"Well, may I ask something, Asura-sama?" Yuu finally had the audacity to speak, but Asura shoot it down quickly. "Just Asura, don't use those honorific. I don't like acting like a noble." Yuu apologize on that, but Asura protest again. "Don't apologize on every sentence. You don't need to treat me like I'm a noble. In fact, I don't want to be one."

That pique the interest of Yuu to know him more, especially when it related to his question. "You don't? Uhh, anyway, I just want to ask why you're here? I heard you said that you don't want to attend the party, but won't it get you some trouble? The official note said that

all member of Tepes family will attend the party."

Asura turn to the side, gazing at the scenery afar, sighed. What reflect on his eyes is not anything but loneliness. "To be honest... I'm the next on the line to be the heir of Tepes family, and I don't want it. This party is set not only for the talk with human, but also with the vampire. My family must be arranging my marriage anytime soon."

"Forced marriage? That must be hard..." Yuu lean on the railway, put his hand on his cheek to support his head. "It is. They throw me some random vampire nobles, men or women, as long they see fit. For us, marriage is not to get a descendant, but only a symbol and ritual to strengthen the bonds between families. I don't want to be their tools just for that." He took another sigh, and gaze at the faraway horizon again. "I want to be free from all of this. I don't like being kept in here like a bird in a cage."

Yuu isn't sure how to console the noble vampire since he didn't want to be seen as impudent. He only know one thing for sure, that he know his feeling. "I once felt the same when I live in here. I always thought we're like a pet, being kept inside this big shelter. I want freedom, I want to see the outside world again." His word made Asura seen him like a whole different person now. He never know that this human share the same feeling like what he experience.

"I guess we're the same then. Maybe we could be a friend?" Asura lend his hand, and Yuu hesitantly reply it. "But... Is it okay for a noble to said that? I mean, you're from Tepes fami-" The smaller boy put his finger on the mouth of the speaker. "Forget that. I don't mind the different between us. After all, I never like how our race look down on human as if they're our livestock. I just want someone I can trust with. Are you okay with that?"

Yuu is both disbelieve and happy, and though hesitate for a moment, he happily accept his hand. "Okay then! Nice to meet you, Asura." The vampire then reply with a smile of happiness. "Nice to meet you too, Yuichiro!"

"Just Yuu is fine. Anyway, Guren might call me back anytime soon. So sadly, this is it. It's nice to know you though." He felt slight disappointment, but I guess this is as far as he could go. No way he could actually befriend a noble vampire from Tepes family. If other vampire know it, he would be executed for offending the nobles. After all, no way they could meet since he can't go in and out to Sanguinem as he wish.

"But we just meet! ...Fine, I guess I need to wait for another opportunity." Asura sighed again, felt somewhat sulky. Then his face suddenly lit again as he remembered something. He grab a paper and twist his nail to his index finger so drip of blood come. With it, he draw something on the paper and handle it to Yuu. "There is a grassy hill with some beautiful flower field right beside Sanguinem. I sometimes visit there during my spare time. I don't know when you able to go there, but I'll wait there every afternoon to evening for you."

Yuu take the paper and look at the genuinely pleased smile. He don't know if he's serious or not, but he don't want to made him waiting like that everyday. "Ehh do they had a phone or such thing in here?"

You don't need to be waiting for me everyday if you don't even know when I would come." Yuu felt worried about Asura even though they just meet. For a noble vampire to go that far for a human is something he hardly could believe.

"It's alright, I visit it almost everyday anyway. We do had communication device, but they would be able to track out call if I use it since it's not for personal use." Asura wish that he had those cellphone that human often mentioned. "Well, I'll try to get one later, somehow."

"If so, then you should take this." Yuu then tear the paper into two and draw his katana out of the sheath. He carefully cut his index finger with it and write down his number there. "When you had one, you should call me. I'll be waiting." Asura take the paper and realize that Yuu's blood still flowing. For a vampire, this is a temptation, but more importantly, he need to disinfect the wound.

"You don't need to do that. I could write by my own... Here, give me your finger." Asura grab Yuu's hand and put his finger to his mouth. Yuu instantly blushed as he felt that his hand entered his warm mouth. Unlike what he expected, the vampire didn't suck his finger off, but simply clean the wound.

"Done. Sorry for doing that all of a sudden." Asura clean his lips. His face grow red as seems he's enjoying it. Yuu on the other side blushed even harder, but trying to act normally. "Uhh... Thanks." Yuu retract his finger back and held it. It's still wet and warm, and the sensation still linger there.

It's a rather awkward but sweet moment there, until a loud ring come from his pocket. The watch buzz out as it's his time to return. "Sorry, my time to return back. See you next time, Asura." He quickly do the farewell and run to the stair as they wave to each other.

Down in the ballroom, everyone already assembling on the entrance, and when Yuu come, their face show that they know what happened. "You late, Yuichiro!" Kimizuki yell as the boy approached them. Even worse, Yuu forget to wear his mask, so they assume he didn't socialize at all.

"Oi, Yuu... Where the hell you're going?" Guren smirk to the boy, knowing that he failed his task like what he expected. "Probably rooftop. He must been too awkward to even socialize, so he borrow all the foods he could get and go search for a quiet spot, right Yuu-san?" Shinoa start teasing him again, and Yuu is still huffing, not replying them immediately.

"I'm not! I do my stuff too!" He hissed back at the group, and only Yoichi tried to pull it off. Shinya only smiled, did not want to delve into his personal matter. "Well, we're done with the talk, and we're heading home now."

The group the head outside and wait for Guren to prepare the car. When they're all in, everyone are talking about their own experience on the party.

"I didn't know that vampire had such a cool history! I meet this guy

named Lacus and he's a good friend to talk with." Yoichi start telling his experience.

"I know that name since the vampire named Rene mentioned it. He's less annoying than the other vampire, so I rather chat with him all the time." Mitsuba cheerfully replied, seems just done having a fun time.

"Well, mine is with this two lady called Horn and Chess. Seems they're also a progenitor, though quite low, perhaps." Kimizuki calmly told his part as he fixed his glasses.

"That's fantastic, but not as fantastic as mine. I meet someone named Crowley Eusford, and he's the thirteenth progenitor! Cool, right?" Shinoa smug her achievement in pride.

"Ahhh long time didn't hear that name. I only meet with Ferid-sama, and he's the seventh progenitor. He's a little bit weird, but we get along just fine." Mika smile happily as he able to meet his old friend again. He never really like him, but he do owe him one for helping them out of Sanguinem.

"Yeah yeah, cool. Me and Shinya talk with the Tepes family, though sadly, their young heir is absent." Guren speak as he drive, seems not really pleased by the meeting. "Anyway, Krul Tepes said we should visit Sanguinem again very soon to continue the talk, so just get prepared~" Shinya inform his allies about the result of the talk.

"So, Yuu-kun, you meet anyone?" Yoichi asked the boy, that seems are looking to a piece of paper. "He probably didn't meet anyone, since I doubt that he even capable to-" Mitsuba tried to comment, but Yuu disregard her and replied Yoichi casually.

"Yeah, I meet someone named Asura, and we're a friend now." The word that come out from hi mouth send silence to the whole team. Shinoa team are surprised, but Guren and Shinya stare at him like they seen a ghost as they didn't believe on what he just said.

"Befriend a vampire? Sound like what you would do, Yuu-san!" Shinoa replied lightly, but Guren on the other way, seems treat it seriously. "Hold on, hold on... You mean Asura Tepes? From the Tepes family!?" Hearing the name now actually change the whole expression of the Shinoa squad, and Yuu on the other way just nod normally.

"Seriously!? Do you know that he's from the Tepes family!?" Kimizuki shout at him, and yet Yuu just calmly nod. "I'm surprised as well, but he's really nice. He's the most polite and well-mannered vampire I ever seen so far."

Shinya still in awe, especially since Yuu spit it out so casually. "That's mean they lied when they said that Asura Tepes is absent... What does it mean?" He look at Guren, and the man just gave him a shrug.

The whole Shinoa squad just stare at Yuu, but the boy ignore it and just lean to the window, still can't get him off from his mind. He wonder when he could meet him again?

On the same time, Sanguinem...

"Asura, hey wait!" Krul rush to her brother, demanding something and she doesn't seems to be pleased. "What it is, sis? I'm not in the mood for this." Asura just sit there alone on the ballroom, seems to be daydreaming.

"Why you're not on the party? We had a visitor and the whole family member suppose to be there!" She put her hand on her hips. She does pissed, but also worried about her brother.

"I'm not in the mood. After all, father just want to arrange my marriage again, right? When he will realize that I had no interest on those nobles?" He exhaled and walk away, leaving her sister. But she keep trying.

"Wait! What should I said to father later!?" He didn't answered, and Krul really giving up on talking with him. "Ahh screw it! But Asura, you know that you need to get a partner, right? You should at least get a lover or something, really." She walk along with him as they goes deeper into the castle. Asura just gave her a cryptic smile.

"Don't worry, I already had a plan."

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Hi again on the second chapter! Originally this and the previous chapter is one single chapter, but I separate it to two since it get too long. XD

If I change my mind, I go merge the two chapter into one soon. For now, this seems good.

The next chapter will be up on the next week or something, hopefully.

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